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ARMY HOSPITALS
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Army Hospitals functioning at present in the country, State-wise;

(b) whether there is any proposal to open more hospitals in near future; and

(c) if so, the places identified for the purpose?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY)

(a) At present, 109 Army hospitals are functioning in the country. State-wise location of Army Hospitals is as follows:

State/Union Territory	Number of Army Hospitals
Andhra Pradesh	2
Arunachal Pradesh	2
Assam	4
Bihar	2
Delhi	2
Goa	1
Gujarat	5
Haryana	2
Himachal Pradesh	8
Jammu & Kashmir	9
Jharkhand	2
Karnataka	1
Kerala	2
Madhya Pradesh	7
Maharashtra	9
Manipur	1
Meghalaya	1
Nagaland	2
Punjab	9
Rajasthan	10
Sikkim	1
Tamil Nadu	3
Tripura	1
Uttar Pradesh	11
Uttarakhand	5
West Bengal	7

Besides, there are 8 Naval hospitals and 11 Air Force hospitals.

(b) & (c): Hospitals are opened/located based on operational requirements both in times of peace and in war/Counter Insurgency operations. The strength of troops, nature of operations & terrain and chain of evacuation determine the kind of medical facility. New hospitals are approved for opening at Jaisalmer (Rajasthan) and Ezhimala (Kerala) for the air Force and Navy respectively.